

LIBRARY FACILITIES

The Library uses several types of funds to renovate, rehabilitate and construct library facilities. The FY2008-FY2013 CIP includes \$53 million in property tax supported bond funds. In addition, funding sources include private, Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone and federal funds (CDBG, proposed CDBG and HUD).

During 2001, the Library commissioned and completed the development of a Strategic Master Plan that resulted in the adoption of several facility recommendations outlines in Standards for Excellence. The recommendations are based on a long-range facility improvement strategy that calls for substantial growth and improvement in library facilities to meet the needs of a growing and changing Houston.

The FY2008-2013 CIP continues the Library's efforts to bring its facilities into compliance with codes such as ADA and TAS. It also provides for the completion of the Jones Building (Central Library) renovation and proposes

several HPL Express facilities, a new concept in the provision of library services.

Highlights of the Adopted FY2008-2013 CIP include:

- Replacement of the Frank, Kendall, Bracewell, Vinson and Dixon neighborhood libraries
- Renovation and/or addition at the Oak Forest, and Stanaker neighborhood libraries and the Julia Ideson Building
- Several new facilities, such as HPL Express locations at the Southwest Multi-Service Center and at Discovery Green; and a major new African American Library at the Gregory School